Certain additional concessions with regard to levy obligation have been given to units which are able to achi-eve more than 100% capacity utilisation.

The production of cement ig monitored closely by the Office of Development Commissioner for Cement Industry and whenever assistance is required by way of availability of inputs like coal, power, wagons, the matter is taken up with the concerned authorities like the State Electricity Board/State Govt., Deptt, of Coal/ Coal Organisation & Ministry of Railways to render necessary assistance to prevent shortfall in production.

Having regard to the power cuts prevailing in a number of cement producing States, the cement Industry had been advised to set up captive power plant/generation capacity to meet the problem of power shortage. To encourage th$_e$ setting up of captive DG Sets, appropriate relief is allowed by reducing the levy quota to neutralise additional cost involved in using power generated at higher cost from the captive DG Sets installed after 1-1-1982.

**Production and export of bicycles**

132. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what has been the production of bicycles in the country during the last five years;

(b) what is the number of bicycles exported to foreign countries during the period indicating the names of the countries; and

(c) what was the amount of foreign exchange earned on this account?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) Production of Bicycles in the organised sector during th$_e$ last five years is approximately as under: -

| Year | Quantity in Numbers |
|---|---|
| 1982-83 | 48. 47 |
| 1983-84 . | 58 00 |
| 1984-85 . | 61 96 |
| . 1985-86 _ | 6283 |
| 1986-87 . | 59 10 |

(b) and (c) The number of Bicycles exported and the amount of foreign exchange earned during the period is as under: -

| (1) Year | No. of Bicycles exported | Amount of Foreign exchange earned |
|---|---|---|
| | (In lakhs) | (In crores) |
| 1981-82 | 6 18 | 17 89 |
| 1982-83 | 2 69 | 8. 74 |
| 1983-84 | 2 49 | 7 87 |
| 1984-85 | 172 | 7 08 |
| 1985-86 | 1 45 | 6 42 |

(ii) The names of the major countries to which Bicycles were exported are as follows:

Angola, Egypt, France, Iran, Ke-naya, Malawi, Nigeria, Srilanka, Sudan, Uganda, Vietnam, Socialist Republic of Zambia.

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133. SHRI TALARI MANOHAR: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be leased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal nder Government's consideration to develop the research and development /ing of the Indian Drugs and Pharmaceuticals Limited (IDPL) at Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh; and

(b) if so, what are the details of the proposal and the amount earmarked therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) and (b) Indian Drugs and Pharmaceuticals Limited (IDPL) is already having a research and development Centre at its Hyderabad Unit in An-dhra Pradesh with adequate facilities.

**Central assistance to the APSEB**

134. SHRI GOPALA RAO RAO: Will the Minister of ENERGY be uleeased to state:

(a) the total amount of Central financial assistance sanctioned to the Andhra Pradesh State Electricity Board (APSEB) during the years 1983-84; 1984-85; 1985-86; 1986 87; and

(b) the Central assistance proposed to be given during the financial year 1987-88?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINSTRY OF ENERGY (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI); (a) The total amount of Central loan assistance sanctioned to the Andhra Pradesh State Electricity Board (APSEB) during the years 1983-84 to 1988-87 under the Centrally Sponsored Programmes of Inter-State Transmission lines and Renovation & Modernisation Scheme amount to about Rs. 11. 35 crores as Per details given below: -

| Year | Central Loan Assistance (Rs. in Crores) |
|---|---|
| 1983-84 | Nil |
| 1984-85 | Nil |
| 1985-86 | 5. 12 |
| 1986-87 | 6. 23 |

(b) The Central loan assistance pro-posed to be given to the APSEB during the financial year 1987-88 is Rs. 12. 40 crores.

**Smokeless chullahs in the country**

135. SHRI RAM AWADHESH SINGH: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) how many smokeless chullahs are estimated to be' in use in the country at present, and what percentage does this bear to the ordinary chullahs; and

(b) by when all the chullahs are planned to be replaced by smokeless ones?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) and (b) Under the National Programme on Improved Chullhas, 3 million Improved Stoves have been installed which roughly corresponds to about 0. 3 per cent of the total number of conventional chullhas in the country. Continuous R&D efforts are being made to improve the design, reduce the cost and making it more convenient to operate. Based on experience gained and depending upon the availability of re-